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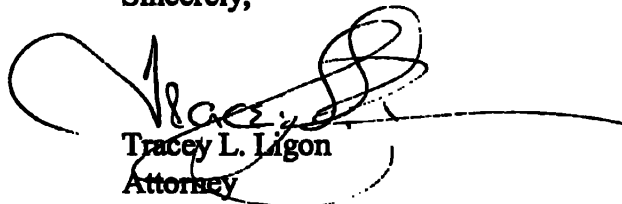
RE: MUR 5871
Samuel Thurber

Dear Mr. Kelner:

This is in response to your letter dated May 9, 2007, which we received the same day, requesting an extension of time of 20 days to respond to the Commission's letter sent via Federal Express on April 27, 2007 notifying your client of reason to believe findings in this matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of the General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on June 4, 2007.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tracey L. Ligon", is written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, the name "Tracey L. Ligon" and the title "Attorney" are printed.

Tracey L. Ligon
Attorney